

Patent claims

1. Exchange centre with
an additional platform, based on commercial HW and SW and containing
5 one or more SW modules that provide external computers with
applications with specific functions via open interfaces (API), in
which case said SW modules, for execution of said functions, use
internal interfaces to the call control functions of the exchange
centre.
- 10 2. Exchange centre according to Claim 1, characterized in that said
open interfaces are realized on the basis of an object-oriented SW
technology.
3. Exchange according to Claim 1 or 2, characterized in that
said open interfaces can also be used locally by applications on the
15 commercial platform to make use of functions of other applications.
4. Exchange according to one of Claims 1 to 3, characterized in that
a dedicated SW module supports the interworking of said applications
on the commercial platform. The interworking SW module provides a
platform-internal interface for this purpose.
- 20 5. Exchange according to one of Claims 1 to 4, characterized in that
the said applications involve protocol conversion applications.
6. Exchange according to one of Claims 1 to 4, characterized in that
the said applications involve applications for a higher-level
service functionality.